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THE EVENING ITEM.

Vol. I.

DAYTON, OHIO, WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1890.

No. 67.

66 FOR FUNERAL.

A Sad Day of Mourning at Red Wing.

LAST VIEWS OF DEAD FACES IN THEIR COFFINS.

Funeral Processions Moved to the Cemeteries All Day--Charges That the Boat Was Mismanaged--Dynamite Exploded to Bring Up Missing Bodies, But Without Success.

RED WING, Minn., July 16.—Yesterday was a sad day for Red Wing. All morning hundreds of mourners passed in and out of the large store room where sixty-six bodies lay clothed in burial garb and enclosed in coffins of all descriptions. Friends passed by only to get a last remembering glance of those who seemed only yesterday immortal.

All day long wagons, carriages and hearses bore these remains to "God's acre" cemetery, followed by their friends, where the last words of farewell and consolation were spoken. The stillness of the night only tends to deepen the sorrow of the few remaining ones, who were once happily surrounded by the "sixty-six" just laid to rest.

A coroners jury was impaneled who viewed the remains, after which they left for Lake City, the scene of the disaster, to secure evidence.

It is reported that at the time of the disaster the captain of the boat and several of her crew were under the influence of liquor, and that the captain gave orders on that fatal night that all of the passengers on board should be locked up in the cabin.

All of these reports have caused considerable talk which will be investigated by the coroners jury. The prosecuting attorney remarked that he thought the whole matter should go to the grand jury, as he was convinced there was some bungling management on the boat, otherwise the loss of life would not have been so great.

It is expected that a coroners verdict will be reached by tonight.

RED WING, Minn., July 16.—Acting on the advice of County Attorney Wilson, Coroner Kyelo abandoned the inquiry already begun on the remains of A. O. Anderson. The State law covering inquests provides that one shall be held only when there are marks of violence upon the body and does not cover casualties at all. There is no doubt as to the manner of Anderson's death, he being one of the one hundred odd victims of the foundering of the Sea Wing, and Coroner Kyelo abruptly and reluctantly terminated the inquiry when the statute was explained to him and the jury he had impaneled. County Attorney Wilson vouchsafed the information that the matter would be brought before the grand jury at the earliest possible moment. Thus the responsibility for the awful loss of life is still in doubt and may not be fixed for months hence.

LAKE CITY, Minn., July 16.—Dynamite was used in order to bring up any missing bodies who were supposed to be still in the lake, but up to a late hour their efforts were futile and further work in that direction has been abandoned. Several hundred men will drag the lake today to see if they can find any bodies. It is believed that the number, "sixty-six," that were recovered are all that met death by drowning.

Man Sawed in Two. CATLETTSBURG, Ky., July 16.—At the mouth of Peter Creek, in Pike county, Ky., a terrible accident happened. A new saw mill was just been erected, and visitors from all parts of the country were present to see operations begun. Several men were standing above the saw when the board upon which they were standing broke and precipitated three men to the ground. Among them was John Woolford, a justice of the peace. In falling his head struck the saw, which was in motion, splitting it open, and sawing the body of the unfortunate man completely in halves, one limb and an arm being left to each side of the body. Several spectators fainted from witnessing the terrible affair.

Must be Examined. WASHINGTON, July 16.—The attorney general has rendered a decision in the case of the three railway transfer clerks at Albany, N. Y., in which he sustains the decision of the civil service commission. The commission held that these appointments were illegally made because the appointees had not been examined as required by the civil service rules, while on the other hand the superintendent of the railway mail service contended that they were valid, as coming within the amendment of clause 5 of railway rule 2, which was adopted August 19, 1889, and some months before the appointments were made.

Elkins for Congress. WHEELING, July 16.—The West Virginia Republican Executive committee called a state convention to nominate a candidate for judge of the court of appeals, to meet at Martinsburg August 20. Chairman Cowden, who is a federal office holder, resigned, and Augustus Pollock, of Wheeling, was elected to the vacancy. Cowden has been chairman and secretary for nineteen years. Hon. Stephen B. Elkins may be induced to run for con-

gress in the second district against Hon. William L. Wilson.

Shrewd Sugar Men's Boomerang. NEW YORK, July 16.—Justice Patterson, of the supreme court, gave James Moore, as assignee of English investors, judgment against James H. Robertson and W. H. Cottrell, of electric sugar fame. The investors were led to take one hundred shares of the stock by these two men and paid over \$5,400. Justice Patterson finds that the defendants received the money after they knew the alleged purpose of the subscription could not be carried out and expended it when it was in their power to recall the money.

A Teamster Suicides. CHICAGO, July 16.—George Dietmer, a teamster forty-three years old, committed suicide by hanging himself to a bed post, where he was found by his wife when she awoke at five o'clock. Despondency, due to hard drinking, is the supposed cause. Dietmer went to bed sober for the first time in two weeks, and it had a bad effect on him. He leaves a wife and three children and some property.

A Recount Ordered. WASHINGTON, July 16.—Census Superintendent Porter, acting on the advice of the attorney general, has ordered a recount of one of the census districts of Minneapolis.

Two Trainmen Killed. ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 16.—A West Shore freight train ran into a freight train on the Western New York & Pennsylvania, which was standing on a side track with the engine across the West Shore line. Engineer Walter Harris, of Fort Erie, and Fireman Collopy, of Hinsdale, both of the West Shore train, jumped when they saw the approaching danger. The engineer was instantly killed and the fireman received injuries from which he died at the City hospital here. The engines were badly wrecked.

A Bad Wreck. MANSFIELD, Ohio, July 16.—A bad wreck occurred on the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio railroad about eleven o'clock yesterday one mile east of Ashland. The Chicago and St. Louis limited vestibule train No. 5 ran into the rear end of a freight train. Reports as to the extent of the accident are conflicting, but it is believed several were killed and a number badly injured. Officials of the road here can give no definite information.

Strong Phosphate Syndicate. OTTAWA, Ont., July 16.—A strong company has been formed in London, England, with \$1,000,000 capital, for the purpose of acquiring and working the phosphate lands in Canada. The list of promoters is headed by the duke of Westminster, whose name is followed by the duke of Richmond and Gordon, duke of Portland, duke of Abercorn and duke of Fife.

Three Were Drowned. NEW ORLEANS, July 16.—A dispatch to the Times-Democrat from Gainesville, Fla., says: A party of thirteen were out in a sail boat on Lachua lake, in that portion of it known as "the sink." When about a mile from shore the boat capsized and all were thrown into the water. Ten were saved by clinging to the boat, but three of the party were drowned.

Drowned in Lake Michigan. CHICAGO, July 16.—A boy between fifteen and sixteen years old, whose name is not known, was drowned about one o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was bathing in the lake with three companions at the foot of Fifteenth street, and it is supposed was taken with the cramps. His companions ran away and left him to his fate. His body was removed to 143 Monroe street.

Big Foreclosure Judgment. NEW YORK, July 16.—Justice Andrews of the supreme court gave judgment of foreclosure and sale in the suit of the Farmers Loan and Trust company against the Bankers and Merchants Telegraph company and others upon a divisional mortgage of \$300,000 upon which is due \$290,000 and interest.

Hot at New York. NEW YORK, July 16.—This city suffered from excessive heat, which was aggravated by humidity. Even far into the evening the air was stifling. The highest temperature was 92 degrees, at 3:30 p. m. The average for the twenty-four hours ending at midnight was 79½ degrees. There were about a dozen cases of heat prostration.

South American Panic Over. BUENOS AYRES, July 16.—The financial situation here has improved. The president is about to negotiate a new sterling loan. Gold was quoted at 285.

Dispatches from Montevideo state that there is an easier feeling in financial circles there. Gold is at a premium of 114.

Earthquake in Indiana. LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 16.—At Martinsville, Ind., at 4:30 o'clock, there was a well defined earthquake shock, jarring houses perceptibly and causing dishes to rattle, lasting one minute.

A Railroad Decision. CHICAGO, July 16.—Stripped of legal verbiage, Judge Tukey has decided that the Canadian Pacific railroad can run their trains over the Indiana Western tracks and into Chicago.

Strikes and Riots. MADRID, July 16.—Extensive strikes have been inaugurated at Mauresa in the province of Barcelona. There was a collision between the troops and the strikers.

A DAY'S MISHAPS

Minneapolis Has a \$712,000 Fire.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT NEAR MANSFIELD, OHIO.

Three Yachtmen Drowned Near Boston--Two Trainmen Killed at Rochester--Three Drowned in Lachua Lake--Boy Drowned in Lake Michigan--Other Happenings.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 16.—The Security warehouse on Second and Fifth avenues, north, caught fire at three o'clock and burned to the ground, causing the most destructive fire in this city for years. The fire caught in the hay on the second floor, presumably from engine sparks from the trains which pass through a cut just north of the building. In spite of the best efforts of the fire department the building was soon a total loss.

The building was occupied by Morse & Wood as a storage warehouse, and was owned by them. Their loss is \$50,000, insurance \$30,000. The principal tenants were the National Cordage company, and L. Waterbury & Co., who had in the building binding twine worth \$325,000, which is a total loss. The insurance is not known.

The loss of the twine coming just before harvest is a serious loss for the northwest, as it will undoubtedly result in increasing the strength of the corner in this necessary commodity.

The other losses are: William Deering & company, Chicago, \$100,000; Milwaukee Harvester company, of Milwaukee, \$50,000; Emerson, Talcott & company, Rockford, Ill., \$25,000; Grand Deline plow company, Dixon, Ill., \$20,000; Appleton Manufacturing company, Appleton, Wis., \$55,000; I. S. Kelly, Springfield, Ill., \$10,000. Loss on furniture in store, \$75,000. Other losses, \$22,000. Total loss, \$712,000.

Miners Will Strike. ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 16.—Notice was issued that the convention of coal miners of northern Illinois, which was to have been held this week to fix a scale of wages, has been indefinitely postponed by the directing board. The miners, who operate nearly one hundred mines in the southern Illinois district, have not been satisfied with the wages, and it is likely that arrangements are being secretly made for a general strike in that district. The southern Illinois mine-owners claim that the scale fixed by the Columbus convention, and the freight rates, is intended to oust them out of the northwestern trade. They will accordingly not attend the meeting of the operatives to ratify the scale agreed upon at Columbus, and the miners will strike for the new figures.

Pitchfork Through His Neck. ATHENS, Ohio, July 16.—Charles Miller, aged twenty-six, is reported to be slowly dying as the result of a singular and frightful accident. While loading hay near town Saturday afternoon a sudden start of the team caused him to fall, pitchfork in hand, from the top of the load, with the result of one tine of the fork being forced entirely through his neck between the jugular vein and the windpipe, in which position it broke off, leaving the pointed end of the broken tine protruding about two inches from the back of his neck.

Cabin Boy Drowned. CINCINNATI, July 16.—Clinton Cassel, aged twenty-one, colored, cabin boy on the steamer Morning Star, met his death by drowning in the river below the Southern railroad bridge in the afternoon.

He was one of a skiff load which left the public landing at about two o'clock to go bathing. They entered the water near the Southern bridge, and Cassel, who was not much of a swimmer, was carried beyond his depth. He called for help, but drowned before assistance could reach him. His body was not recovered. Cassel was single.

Sentenced His Ex-Associate. NEW YORK, July 16.—In the Queen's county court, Long Island City, Judge Garretson presiding, Joseph R. Hunting, a well known lawyer and formerly an associate judge on the bench with Judge Garretson, was sentenced to prison at hard labor for nine years for appropriating money entrusted in his care as executor. Judge Garretson said in passing sentence: "Never before in my career have I had a more painful experience than I am undergoing now, in sentencing my former associate."

Excursionists Killed. LYNCHBURG, Va., July 16.—The following persons were crushed in the collision of freight train No. 77 and an excursion train en route from Richmond to the natural bridge: W. B. Holt, engineer, bruised so badly about the head and body that he died; a colored tramp, name unknown, crushed to death; James E. Turner, white, extra fireman, badly cut and bruised; W. G. Miller, painfully injured about the head; T. Shaw, colored, right wrist slightly sprained; three other persons received slight scratches.

Mad Dog Epidemic. CIRCLEVILLE, O., July 16.—About two weeks ago three mad dogs were killed near Commercial Point. Since then a number of hogs have manifested signs of hydrophobia and had to be killed. A

valuable cat belonging to David Lane gave evidence of being afflicted with the dreaded disease, and was dispatched by its owner. The citizens of that hamlet are very much alarmed at the spread of the disease and are trying to devise some means of getting rid of it.

Jailed for Hotel-Beating. YOUNGSTOWN, O., July 16.—John Smith and Miss Longnecker, whom he represented as his wife, who were arrested, charged with beating the Commercial hotel out of a forty dollar board bill, pleaded guilty and were each fined \$50 and costs and each sentenced to three months in the work house. Letters found on the couple indicate that they are not married and that Miss Longnecker is the daughter of a farmer living near Piqua, Ohio.

Garfield's Greek Teacher Dead. DES MOINES, Iowa, July 16.—Professor Norman Dunshoe of Drake University, died suddenly here at two o'clock from heart disease. He was Garfield's latin and greek teacher at Hiram College.

Three Yachtmen Drowned. PORTSMOUTH, N. H., July 16.—The yacht Marion of South Boston, from Rye beach to Pigeon grove, struck a rock and was sunk. The crew of four got into the tender and three of them were drowned.

Church Choir Row. CONNERSVILLE, July 16.—At Fairview Christian church the choir refused to sing until the organist, Miss Allie Alexander, left the organ. She had been requested several times to resign, but refused. Several prominent members were publicly reprimanded in uncomplimentary language by her, after which she retired.

Man Ground on Grindstone. SOUTH BEND, July 16.—Chris Jorgensen, a Dane, was caught in a line shaft and wound around it. No bones were broken, but his body was terribly bruised. One arm came in contact with a large, revolving grindstone, which ground the flesh from the former and left it in a frightful condition. He will recover.

Drank Creosote for Paregoric. SOUTH BEND, July 16.—Albert Galbreath, of Rolling Prairie, near here, was given by mistake a dose of creosote for paregoric. He saved his life by immediately eating a dozen raw eggs and drinking water and milk. His throat, mouth and stomach were frightfully burned.

Ex-Recorder Suicides. WILLIAMSPORT, July 16.—Thomas J. Graves, a much-respected citizen of this place, and at one time recorder of the county, committed suicide by hanging himself to a tree. Domestic trouble is supposed to have been the cause. Deceased was a member of the Knights of Honor.

Destroyed by Lightning. GREENFIELD, July 16.—During a heavy storm a large barn belonging to Jesse Allen, of Brandywine township, this county, was struck by lightning and entirely destroyed by fire, including most of contents. Loss will reach over \$1,000. Insured in Continental.

Sherman Mourns His Friend. NEW YORK, July 16.—General William T. Sherman sent the following letter to General H. M. Porter:

"GENERAL H. M. PORTER—Dear sir: I am just back from a visit to my daughter at Cape May, and find your letter of July 14. I had then heard of the death of General Fremont, who seemed so well and cheerful when he called at my house after our visit to him on Twenty-eighth street. I will do all that is possible to manifest my respect for his memory, and will be at St. Ignatius church on Wednesday, the 16th inst. With great respect,

Yours truly,
W. T. SHERMAN."

Relief for Miners' Families. COLUMBUS, O., July 16.—The executive committee of the United Mine Workers of America will meet here to consider the existing differences between the miners and operators of Illinois, and also to take action looking to the recovery of damages for the families of the men who lost their lives in the Farm Hill mine at Dunbar, Pennsylvania.

TEACHERS OF THE BLIND In National Convention at Jacksonville, Illinois. JACKSONVILLE, Ill., July 16.—The national convention of the instructors of the blind met at the institution here with a good attendance from all parts of the country. On behalf of the city an address of welcome was delivered by Richard Yates, son of the noted war governor of Illinois, and on behalf of the state by Rev. Fred H. Wines, secretary of the state board of charities. The response on behalf of the association was by William Wait of New York. The day was spent in getting acquainted and hearing a paper on "How shall we estimate the relative value of the institutions in the several departments of our schools?" by Superintendent H. B. Jacobs of the Indiana institution. A general discussion followed, participated in by a number of members.

As Much as He Could Expect. Farmer Rake (indignantly)—Say, Bill, can't you do any thin' all day but swing in that hammock?

Young Rake (home from college)—Oh, dear, yes! I can get in it, and I can get out of it!

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A comet may be seen to-night by those who have telescopes. It is in the north, in the "big dipper." It can not be seen with the naked eye.

In Ohio when the school-directors of a school district employ a man to teach the school, if they afterwards wish to employ another man, they must pay the first man his full wages for the whole year. This is what the directors of a Mad river township school district found out in court yesterday.

The outlook for peace in Europe is not so good as it was a year ago. The young German emperor instead of pursuing a neutral policy in the Balkans, has, it is said, directed his war minister to give advice to the Sultan how to meet the claims of Russia. It is clear that Russia will meet with active opposition hereafter in all her movements in Bulgaria and other Turkish provinces.

The action of the authorities at the Soldiers' Home, in regard to the appointment of a man to succeed Col. Harris as resident manager is sneaking mean. They called a meeting of the soldiers last Friday night and by fraud pretended to adopt a series of resolutions calling for the appointment of a soldier to that position. These resolutions were telegraphed all over the country. But when the soldiers kick and tell how the thing was done, the announcement is made that any soldier writing about the matter for the newspapers shall be put in the guard house. Are not the Soldiers' Homes intended to be for the soldiers' benefit? Why then can not the soldiers be allowed to tell who they want for manager? If the soldiers had a different choice there would probably be no objection to allowing them to express their opinion.

LOCAL NEWS.

A niece of John Puterbaugh, from Arcanum, is visiting him.

Miss Kate Callahan, started to Mackinac, to stay two months.

Mr. Painter, of Dakota street, is recovering.

Dave Kimmel is severely pained with colic to-day.

W. O. Horrell was slightly under the weather yesterday.

Officer Lou Eby, of Louiestreet, is back from his trip to Put-in-Bay, and was running his beat last night.

Mr. Lamb, the street car driver, is suffering from the heat and rheumatism.

Carl, the little son of J. W. Booth, has been seriously sick since Sunday with cholera infantum, but is slightly improved.

Mrs. Harter, of Hawthorne street, who fell and broke her hip bone about a week ago, is slowly improving.

Mrs. E. J. Rogers is back again after spending about a week at her home in Lewisburg, on account of her mother's illness.

Mrs. L. K. Miller, and Mrs. G. A. Funkhouser and her two sons, George and Luther, left this morning for Milan, Ohio, to visit their brother, Rev. Luther Kummer.

A layer of gravel is being put down on Broadway, from Fifth street to Germantown.

Miss Alice Tomlinson has returned from New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Sarah Dickey, principal of the Mt. Herman Female Seminary, at Clinton, Miss., a school for colored girls, was visiting her nephew, C. F. Surface, yesterday.

Mrs. A. L. Bowman, of North Broadway, had her back badly sprained yesterday while lifting some heavy package. She was so severely injured that she was not able to move this morning.

Almost every one seems to be convinced that we will have a terrific rain storm tomorrow. The street sprinklers are the only ones without fear.

Last night two little boys came down Third street hauling a load of grocery provisions in a small express wagon. The wagon suddenly gave a shoot to one side and turning over, dumped the contents into the gutter. The boys succeeded in gathering them up, and while one carried off the provisions with an abundance of dirt, the other dragged the uncontrollable wagon along.

John Southard, of Mt. Sterling, Ohio, who has been on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Harry Riggin, at Muncie, Indiana, stopped off on his way home to visit his old comrade, Jonas Deyo, of Germantown street, they having been during the war members of the same regiment, Company G, 113th O. V. I.

Last night about eight o'clock, as a gentleman driving west on the Third street river bridge approached the western end of the iron part, he alighted from his buggy and threw a bundle into the river. Then returning, he faced his horse about and drove back to town. Some body informed the police of the affair, and three officers came out to make a search for the abandoned bundle, but nothing could be found.

The ITEM office has a frequent visitor in an old soldier who untiringly contributes prose and poetry for publication. An article on Public Amusements was written under many difficulties. The author, without money, crawled under the tent of the dime museum some time ago, and there while under the inspiration of that beautiful woman, the mountain of human flesh, was infused with a desire to write. Procuring a bit of paper he scribbled off several pages. These he presented to the editor of the ITEM, who apparently was not slow to appreciate the mingled humor and pathos of the contributor, for in a minute his face was filled with contortions of laughter, followed by an abundant flow of tears. The article which the author declared the best of his life, being considered too valuable for every day reading will be reserved for some special occasion.

Yesterday's Fire.

A Small Cottage and Four Stables Between Hawthorne and Baxter Consumed by Fire.

The Loss Estimated at about \$1,000. Several Vehicles Burned up.

Yesterday afternoon at half-past four o'clock, two alarms were sent in, one from box 63, the other from box 68, calling the fire department to the scene of a fire by the railroad between Hawthorne and Baxter streets. By the time of the arrival of the department, the fire had gained considerable headway, and four barns, and a small cottage occupied by Scott Thomas, were ablaze. Even after their arrival little could be done in extinguishing the flames on account of the low pressure. Water could scarcely be thrown to the roof of the sheds.

However, when the hose was connected to some of the more distant plugs, a better stream was obtained. The barns and cottage were completely gutted, only a few charred boards remain standing. The brisk breeze carried several burning shingles several squares; one to the residence of Mr. McWilliams, on Germantown street, where it started a small blaze, but was soon extinguished. Another set fire to a shed on Mound street. A small fire also started in the roof of the house of Mr. Bell, on Baxter street.

The origin of the fire is still a mystery, although many solutions are given for its start. Some think a spark from a passing locomotive set fire; some say that two little boys was playing in a hay loft with a steam engine; others maintain that some boys were burning paper and the hay caught fire. Any way, a hot and fierce fire was started, which consumed about a thousand dollars worth of property.

The barn in which the fire originated belonged to Wm. Shawn, and was insured. The others belonged to E. Kline and Mary Lewis. A carriage which was in one barn was burned although the horse was taken out by a lady.

A large crowd was present to witness the affair. The police force was well represented with four sergeants and ten policemen. A train was delayed about half an hour by the hose being laid across the tracks.

The suit of Dr. Walters and others to prevent the consumation of the annexation of the new territory to the city of Dayton, is now on trial. The case was argued today. The opposition to the plan arises from the fact that certain unimproved farm lands in Mad river township are brought within the city and made to pay city tax. The suit is based on certain defects in the description of the boundaries of the territory to be added. If the suit is successful not only the farms in Mad river township, but the West End and all the other settled districts will be left out of the city.

Samuel D. Musselman a grocer in Germantown has made an assignment to Henry Ampt. Germantown seems to be in a bad way. The census shows that the population has decreased in the last ten years.

Saturday afternoon, while on an excursion to the Soldiers' Home from Miamisburg, a man named Scott lost his gold watch

and chain somewhere between the Union depot and the Home. Suspecting his pocket had been picked, he informed the police of his loss. Last evening about eight o'clock, the watch was found in the possession of a young man who claims that he found it in the Union depot.

Real Estate Transfers.

Wm. H. Snyder, Sheriff, to James L. Cook, lot 3441, Dayton, \$1,800.

Philip Dague and wife to Henry Becker, lots 13, 24 and 25, Union, \$600.

Kate W. and Lewis B. Gunckel to Cora M. Kimball, lot 10, grantor's plat, \$300.

Charlotte T. McEntee to Patrick F. McNally, lot 12,058, Dayton, \$400.

City Commissioners.

ORDINANCES.

An ordinance to change and re-establish the grade of Holt street, from Williams to Easton.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Declaring it necessary to improve Horton street, from Third street to Hydraulic race, and Torrence street, from Third street to Hydraulic race, by grading, graveling, curbing and guttering the sidewalks and roadways.

That the interest on bonds and bond money maturing shall be paid into the City National Bank ten days before maturity.

That owner of lot 8662, on Johnson street, be notified to curb and gutter sidewalk within ten days.

The public are invited to examine the samples of California fruits now on exhibition at Sachs, Pruden & Co. Advertising matter and other information to be had of John Croll, Agent, Colonization Society, Southern Pacific R. R. Co., 1328 West Third street.

Another Fire.

This morning about four o'clock a fire alarm was turned in from box 51, corner of Brown and Jones street. The department responded and found several barns on fire. The dry weather of the past month makes things as dry as tinder and when a fire starts it burns several houses before it can be put out.

Attempted Railroad Bridge Deal.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 16.—Considerable of a sensation was created in railroad circles by the announcement that Dr. W. L. Breyfogle, who recently succeeded John B. Carson as president of the Monon route had proposed to buy the Kentucky and Indiana bridge, owned by a corporation with \$3,000,000 of property. One or two of the directors favored the sale, but the others put up a vigorous protest. It is said the deal was attempted in the interest of the Pennsylvania company, the Monon and the Louisville and Nashville road, with Calvin S. Brice and Samuel Thomas as partners. With this bridge in the control of these parties the rate for hauling freight over the Ohio river at this point would be considerably increased, as the Pennsylvania owns the other.

SEYMOUR.—John Meyers is dead.—Joseph Murray and Miss Kate Mabie were united in marriage.—Mayor Bennett's proclamation against the saloons is being obeyed.

LAFAYETTE.—The Rev. Dr. Abijah Marine, who was pastor of Trinity M. E. church, in this city, from September 1835 to September 1887 is dead at his home in Lincoln, Neb.

RICHMOND.—The crap joint of "Squire" Harris was raided again.—More than \$1,700 has been subscribed to the fund to be used in boring for natural gas.—The Deutsche Harmonie and German Benevolent societies held pleasant picnics.—Nathan Hawkins, aged eighty-two, is dead.

GOSHEN.—Robert Moss, aged sixty-five, a school teacher who taught thirty-three terms and became quite wealthy, is dead. Buried near Cleveland Ohio.—A. E. Brownell and his driver, by a wagon collision, were thrown on their backs on the railroad track but not fatally hurt.—Franz Hoke and John Snider are under arrest here for alleged horse stealing from W. B. Garman.

TERRE HAUTE.—Christian Gels and Ollie Carbon were married.—Elizabeth McIlvain was granted a divorce from Samuel McIlvain and given \$100 alimony.—Nelson Peterson, aged 13, and Charles Roberts, 14, were arrested for running away from their homes at Clinton to kill Indians.—The city has collected \$25,000 on saloon licenses.—Henry P. Calder, aged 84, and John McKennan, 83, are dead.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Two Car-Loads of Powder and a Cartridge Factory Explode with Terrible Results.

Special:

LEBANON, OHIO, July 16.—About five o'clock this afternoon the people of this place heard an ominous "boom" from the direction of King's Powder Mills, which was almost instantly followed by nine more reports. Soon a vast cloud of black smoke arose in the air. Every one knew that a terrible disaster had occurred and the roads were soon filled with people rushing to the scene of the explosion. There a terrible sight met their eyes.

An immense hole was blown in the ground, pieces of human bodies were lying scattered about, the Peters Cartridge Works were in flames and the stores of cartridges were popping like fire-crackers, cottages in the vicinity were leveled to the ground and injured persons stood around with blackened and bloody faces.

The King's Powder Company and the Peters Cartridge Works are situated on both sides of the Little Miami River along the Little Miami Railroad. The explosion occurred on the south side of the river. A car containing 800 kegs of powder was standing on the switch by the side of the Cartridge factory, and next to it two cars filled with soda-ash. A freight train with another car of powder came along and by way of precaution instead of backing it on to the switch, this car was uncoupled and pushed by hand on to the switch. The moment it struck the cars containing the soda the powder in the car blew up with a terrible report. Another moment and the kegs in the other car began to follow suit. A brakeman was standing on top of one of the cars. No trace of him can be found. The cartridge factory standing beside the track was blown down and the ruins catching fire illuminated the country for miles. Twelve persons were killed, and more than fifty more or less injured. Those injured were mostly girls working in the cartridge factory. The railway station and all the other buildings were destroyed by the explosion and the fire which followed. The freight train was some distance from the explosion and was not seriously hurt. All traffic on the road is suspended till the track can be repaired.

Western Indiana Towns.

TERRE HAUTE, July 16.—Census Supervisor Soale, of this city, makes the following estimate of the population of the smaller towns of this district. The population of each in 1880 is also given: Crawfordsville, 5,985, against 5,251 in 1880; Frankfort, 5,950, against 2,803; Rockville, 1,700, against 1,964; Newport, 600, against 469; Spencer, 2,000, against 1,605; Brazil, 6,005, against 3,441; Bloomington, 4,100, against 3,400; Danville, 1,600, against 1,598.

Hollywood Convicted.

MUNCIE, July 16.—John Hollywood, who was caught in a room with Mrs. Lulu Marsh, wife of a hotelkeeper of this city, was tried at Cincinnati for fornication, found guilty and sentenced to the work house for ten days and fined him \$25 and costs. A bill of exceptions was filed and stay of execution granted for three days. Mrs. Marsh's case was called and a jury demanded. She will be tried today. Both are out on bond.

An Adjustment at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 16.—A committee representing the Big Four brakemen conferred with general superintendents on the demand for increased wages. The brakemen wanted two cents per mile and twenty cents per hour overtime. The latter was not conceded, but an adjustment was finally reached, the exact terms of which are withheld from the public. The grievances of the conductors will be heard tomorrow.

Hurricane at Terre Haute.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 16.—A hurricane which passed over this city did damage to the extent of \$5,000. The German Methodist church and several dwellings were struck by lightning. The Ellsworth paper mill was badly damaged by the wind, as was also Naylor's opera house. According to meager reports the damage in the small towns north of here was great.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

At Keokuk, Ia., Monday, was the hot test day in twenty years.

The Swedish bark Sallie arrived at Mobile from Rio Janeiro yesterday with two cases of yellow fever on board.

A fire in the Stamboul quarter of Constantinople has destroyed 1,000 houses, and it is feared that many lives were lost.

Miss Nancy Goodrich, aged one hundred and ten years, has just died at Bloomfield, Conn. She enjoyed good health until two days before her death.

The fire at Dallas, Texas, destroyed property valued at \$150,000. A large portion of the business section of Sherman, N. Y., was also destroyed. Loss, \$50,000.

Isaac B. Craig, of Mattoon, and Henry Jansen, of Cumberland county, democrats, have been nominated for the legislature from the Thirty-second Illinois district.

Obituary: At Bloomington, Ill., Thos. Williams, a pioneer settler, aged seventy-nine.—At Peatonica, Ill., Michael McGuire, an old citizen of Chicago.—At Syracuse, N. Y., William Malcolm, the only man in the world who could make a lens duplicating the optical effects of the eye and whose secret died with him, aged sixty-seven.

THE ARID LANDS

And Irrigation Were Discussed

BY THE SWELTERING SENATORS YESTERDAY.

Money to Be Appropriated for Western Surveys—The House Passes the Bill Providing for Six Hundred and Thirty-Six New Clerks—A Michigan Man to Get an Office—Washington Items.

Senate.
WASHINGTON, July 16.—The entire day was consumed in consideration of the item in the sundry civil appropriation bill, appropriating \$200,000 for surveying public lands, the committee on appropriations recommending an increase of that amount to \$300,000, and the clause striking out all of the clause making surveys of the arid lands, and inserting the following:

For topographical surveys in various portions of the United States, \$300,000, one-half of which sum shall be expended west of the one hundred and first meridian. And so much thereof of the act of October 2, 1883, entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, and for other purposes" as provides for the selection and location of reservoirs and canals upon the public lands and the reservation of irrigable lands is hereby repealed: provided that reservoir and canal sites heretofore located or selected shall remain segregated and reserved from entry or reclamation until otherwise provided by law.

Senator Stewart advocated the opening up of the segregated and reserved districts for settlement. He criticised the manner in which the \$350,000 appropriated last year for surveying for reservoirs for irrigation purposes in the arid districts had been used, saying that it had been used for scientific purposes with no practical beneficial results.

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, thought the government would be doing the people an injustice to sell or give them land in the arid regions without first surveying them.

Senator Dolph favored the reopening of the lands west of the 101st meridian, which had been withdrawn under the act of 1888, and also urged the restoration of the claim in the present bill as it came from the house, which appropriates \$750,000 to continue the surveys and preparation for irrigation. He declared that it was the duty of the United States to encourage the development of these lands.

Senator Allison gave a brief history of the act under which the lands west of the 101st meridian had been withdrawn. It was a part of the sundry civil bill two years ago, and was merely intended to authorize surveys and determination as to sites where reservoirs could be located. Adjourned at 5:50.

House.
WASHINGTON, July 16.—After the two hours of general discussion agreed to be had expired, a running debate ensued under the five minutes rule.

Representative Houk offered an amendment for a pro rata distribution of the offices created by this bill, saying that the southern states do not get a fair share of the offices. This was ruled out by the chair on a point of order.

An amendment was offered providing that the clerks provided for by this act shall not be selected under the civil service laws. This was also ruled out on a point of order. A number of other amendments were also offered and ruled out by the chairman, Mr. Burrows.

Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriation committee, urged the republican side of the house to cease offering amendments and allow the bill to be voted upon.

Mr. Houk regretted that the amendments relative to the civil service law and pro rata distribution of the clerkships had not been allowed to come before the house for a vote. After some repartee the committee rose and the house passed the bill as it was originally reported from the committee, all amendments having been rejected. The bill, as it passed, provides for the employment of 636 additional clerks to carry into effect the recently enacted dependent pension bill, and appropriates \$636,189 for the expenses of the same during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1891. The house, at 5:30, adjourned.

New National Banks.
WASHINGTON, July 16.—Application has been made to the comptroller of the currency for authority to organize the Union National bank of Atlantic City, N. J. The following banks were authorized to commence business: The Rome National bank of Rome, Ga.; the First National bank of Hot Springs, S. D., and the Iron City National bank of Salina, Texas.

Big Words Used.
WASHINGTON, July 16.—Major Lacey, of Virginia, has replied in a Fredericksburg paper to Jubal Early's letter in a Lynchburg paper. Major Lacey calls General Early a "drunken thesaurus and hoary-headed slanderer, now waxed insolent and wanton upon the bounty of the lottery."

Mangled by a Horse.
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 16.—John Melesley, of Masonton, Preston county, was attacked by a vicious horse while passing through a field. The horse bit and kicked him terribly, and tore one ear out by the roots. Melesley barely escaped with his life. His ear was found on the ground where the horse attacked him.

Favorable Report Ordered.
WASHINGTON, July 16.—The senate committee on finance ordered a favorable report upon the nomination of the five appraisers of merchandise nominated two weeks ago under the customs administrative bill.

BUTCHERS ON STRIKE.

No Meat to be Had in a Town of Fifteen Thousand Inhabitants.

DANVILLE, Va., July 16.—All the butchers here are on a strike against the city. The stalls were all closed, and no meat could be obtained for love or money in a town of fifteen thousand inhabitants. The cause of the strike was the arrest of a butcher charged with selling unsound meat contrary to a city ordinance. This butcher was tried by the mayor and fined, and, in accordance with the law sent to jail for five days, the minimum punishment.

For this the butchers struck. They say they can't stand such a law, and their object seems to force the council to abolish the obnoxious statute. They intend to starve the community into their terms. There is a howl among the people, who are good pork and beef eaters, and it is a great hardship on sick persons who require meat. The butchers are determined to hold out.

Executive Clemency Invoked.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 16.—Governor Hill received an application for executive clemency in the case of Joseph Chapleau, now in Clinton prison under sentence of death by electricity next week. He murdered Irwin Taylor near Plattsburg, N. Y. with a sled stake in January 1889. Unless the governor interferes, Chapleau will be the first legal victim of the electric current.

BASE BALL.

[NATIONAL LEAGUE] R. H. E.
New York...0 0 2 2 0 0 2 1 0—7 11 4
Cincinnati...0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2—3 6 5
Batteries—Welsh and Buckley; Rhines and Harrington. Umpire—McQuade.
Philada...0 3 5 0 0 0 0 0—8 12 2
Pittsburg...0 3 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—4 8 3
Batteries—Day and Clements; Coleman and Decker. Umpire—McDermott.
Brooklyn...0 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 3—6 10 3
Chicago...2 0 1 3 0 4 0 0 2—12 18 4
Batteries—Caruthers and Clark; Hutchinson and Kittredge. Umpire—Lynch.
Boston...1 1 2 2 0 2 0 1 5—14 15 4
Cleveland...0 0 0 0 5 0 0 3 1—9 15 11
Batteries—Getzeln and Bennett; Wadsworth and Zimmer. Umpire—Powers.

[BROTHERHOOD.] R. H. E.
New York...0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 2—5 7 2
Cleveland...0 4 0 1 0 0 0 1 x—6 11 5
Batteries—O'Day and Ewing; Bakely and Sutcliffe. Umpires—Knight and Jones.
Brooklyn...1 0 5 2 1 1 2 0 0—7 11 0
Pittsburg...0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1—2 6 9
Batteries—Van Halton and Maly; Staley and Carroll. Umpires—Ferguson and Holbert.
Boston...0 1 0 0 3 0 3 0 2—9 11 11
Buffalo...9 1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—12 13 10
Batteries—Daly and Sweet; Buckley and Mack. Umpires—Gaffney and Sheridan.

Philada...0 0 5 0 0 0 3 0 0—8 11 0
Chicago...1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0—3 9 6
Batteries—Saunders and Milligan; King and Farrell. Umpires—Matthews and Leach.

[AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.]

R. H. E.
St. Louis...1 0 0 1 4 0 0 0 0—6 7 1
Athletic...0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 1—3 8 3
Batteries—Ramsey and Wells; Seward and Robinson. Umpire—Emslie.
Columbus...6 6 3 0 0 0 0 1 0—16 15 2
Brooklyn...0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0—2 3 8
Batteries—Gastright and O'Connor; Mattimore and Pitts. Umpire—Curry.
Louisville...3 0 4 0 0 3 0 0 x—10 9 3
Syracuse...3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—3 5 5
Batteries—Stratton and Ryan; Morrison and O'Rourke. Umpire—Kerins.
Toledo...1 0 1 1 0 1 0 2 0—7 9 2
Rochester...0 0 0 0 5 3 0 1 x—9 12 6
Batteries—Healy and Welch; Callihan and McGuire. Umpires—Doeschner and Peoples.

THE MARKETS.

The Financial Situation.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The Post says: For the present and probably for a month or two to come the prospects of any increase of currency or floating capital as the result of the silver bill will have no further influence on the stock market. The effort seems to have been pretty thoroughly discounted. The features of the situation which have the most effect now are the possibilities of further exports of gold as the result of the financial troubles in South America and also to some extent in Europe. The weakness noted by the press cables for Spanish securities in London, and the prevailing high rates of interest everywhere on the continent are not favorable to the speculation in American securities. At home also we have the continued cutting of rates by the Lake Shore, which threatens to create trouble among the trunk lines.

Chicago 'Change.

CHICAGO, July 16.—There was a sudden drop in prices in leading markets on 'change at the opening of business. The decline was most marked in wheat and corn, each of which started at a decline of 1/4c from the close Monday. Oats opened 1/4c lower. Hog products were lower and freely offered by the local trade. At the close the market was well supported and prices were at the highest point for the day.

Pittsburgh Live Stock Market.
EAST LIBERTY, Pa., July 16.—Cattle—Market slow, shade off from yesterday's prices. Hogs—Market active, common to best, \$3.75@4.00. Sheep—Market fair at yesterday's prices.

General Spaulding in Favor.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—It is understood that the appointment of General Spaulding, of Mich., at present special agent of the treasury, to succeed Assistant Secretary Tichenor, has been decided upon.

International Conference Report.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—The president sent to congress, accompanied by a letter from the secretary of state, the report and recommendation of the International American conference on the extradition of criminals.

AFTER FORTY.

After forty, looks grow thinner.
We grow stouter—"there's the rub!"
Linger longer o'er our dinner,
Shirk the matutinal tub.
After forty we grow lazy,
To the lads the girls resign—
They may flirt with Dot and Daisy
While we loiter o'er our wine!

After forty, we discover
Aches and pains distinctly new.
Once a lobster-salad lover,
Now we court the homely stew!
After forty, fidgets find us,
Sad to tell, an easy prey;
Leaving righteousness behind us,
We grow graver day by day!

After forty, saucy misses
Treat us like their own papas;
No fear now of stolen kisses,
Bills-doux—frate manmas;
But, their white arms calmly resting
On our shoulders, if you please,
They will ask (I am not jesting)
After our rheumatic knees!

After forty, we're approaching
Foresdom—so Ethel thinks;
And we growl at aught encroaching
On our precious "forty winks."
O'er a stile we crawl with caution,
We, once agile as a roe;
For life's autumn is our portion,
And its spring went long ago!

After forty, graybeards claim us
Quite "as one of them"—ah me!
Men of sixty thus defame us—
We are only forty-three!
Old "Jim Crow," too, scrawls with pleasure,
After forty, on our phiz!
Time, who picks our locks at leisure,
Winks at wags—the horrid quizz!

What's the moral of the matter?
This, and lay it well to heart:
After forty, cease light chatter,
Act no more the stripling's part!
Let us take, with resignation,
In old fogies' ranks a place;
'Tis an art worth cultivation,
That of "growing old" with grace!
—(E. P. Doveton.)

A MOUNTAIN-CLIMBER'S FEAT.

Herr Otto Ehlers' Successful Attempt to Ascend the Kilima-Njaro.

The Kolnische Zeitung has received a letter dated Moschi, Nov. 24, from Herr Otto E. Ehlers, in which he announces the successful ascent of the Kilima-Njaro. Herr Ehlers had started on a journey into the interior of Africa shortly before the outbreak of the rising on the east coast, and grave apprehensions were entertained as to his safety. However, those fears have now been dispelled by the receipt of the letter, which is to be the forerunner of a more detailed report, and in the most interesting part of which Herr Ehlers states: "Shortly after I had closed my last letter to you I received the news that Dr. Meyer's caravan had been annihilated, and that he himself was at Zanzibar, intending to return to Europe. I consequently resolved to undertake the ascent of the Kilima-Njaro without him, but with the assistance of Dr. Abbott, the American naturalist, who has been exploring this part of the country during the past year. While Mr. Johnston, Count Teleki, and Dr. Meyer attempted to reach the summit from the east side I chose the northern slope as my field of operation, and with complete success, for I was able, the first, to set my foot on the ice dome of the mountain. I cannot give you the exact height until the instruments used have been examined by competent hands; but I have reached an altitude of over 20,000 feet, while my companion broke down at 16,500 feet and had to give up the race. At a height of over 16,000 feet we found traces of elephants, buffaloes, and antelopes. I have also secured some birds and beetles, a rather exhaustive collection of the flowers, grasses, lichens, and mosses growing in the several regions of the mountain, besides bringing back a painfully burned face, frozen hands, cracked lips, and swollen eye-lids; in short I present a sorry spectacle. These few words must suffice for to-day; the fuller report will, I hope, follow soon, without meeting with an accident on its road, which is probably in a disturbed state. It would be foolhardy to try and return to the coast now and I shall remain for the present here, where I feel perfectly safe. I shall undertake some further smaller expeditions, and wait until the condition of things on the coast has improved."

SECRETARY WHITNEY'S TACT.

The Kind Treatment he Accorded Intruders at His Wife's Reception.

A few days ago two Washington ladies, who were entertaining an elderly relative from "way down East" during a brief visit here, happened to pass the mansion of the Secretary of the Navy when Mrs. Whitney was holding one of her customary receptions, writes the Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune. The day was wet; they were afoot, and nothing was further from the minds of two of the party than gayeties of any description, when, to their horror and amazement, their guest expressed a sudden and burning desire to participate in the pleasure of a cabinet reception. The "city mice" represented with almost tearful iteration that they were not at all "en tenue;" but "the country mouse" had what Mrs. Gamp would probably have termed "an obdurate buzzum," and could not be prevailed upon to reconsider her motion; so there was nothing so idle to be done but "make the best of a bad bargain," and the three visitors crossed the hospitable threshold without more ado.

Noticing the newcomers, and observing that they were evidently strangers to his wife as well as to the other guests, Mr. Whitney immediately proceeded to entertain them in his most kindly manner, not only going out of his way to make them feel completely at home, but showing them marked attention, and taking pains to explain to them some unique tapestries and other objects of art around the house, in which they appeared to take an interest.

Secretary Whitney, upon that occasion, came as near to converting three unusually ardent Republicans as is possible in dealing with three charming sex which adheres so strenuously to all its preconceived opinions; and in expressing her share of the golden opinions which he had won from all of them the elderly relative remarked enthusiastically: "I don't care if Secretary Whitney is a Democrat, I don't believe he'll let those Germans, or those Samsons either, burn up another American flag, even if he has to send the whole United States navy to stop them!"

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Had Got Used to It.

Mr. and Mrs. Calendula C. Rate were at Niagara Falls on their wedding journey. They had wandered rapturously about, arm in arm, listening to the roar of the mighty cataract. They had bought bead-worked moccasins and pin-cushions from Indian squaws who spoke with a strong Tipperary accent; they had contributed handsomely to the support of several princely hack drivers, paid for the right to look at the falls from all the eligible points of view, and been hunted with great success by prowling photographic banditti.

And now they stood in the Cave of the Winds. The thunder of Niagara overpowered them. The earth trembled beneath them. They looked at each other, and their lips moved, but if any sound came from them it could not be heard in the deafening roar. Calendula pressed the little hand that lay confiding on his arm, and led his fair young bride from the cave with all possible speed.

"Japonica," he said, tenderly, when they had regained the open air, "do you know why I could not bear to linger in that horrible place?"

"No. Why was it?"

"I could not hear your beloved voice, my darling?"

Five years had passed, Mr. and Mrs. Calendula C. Rate were again at Niagara on a little summer vacation. They had dismounted from the omnibus, entered the hotel, registered at the clerk's office, and removed from themselves the dust of travel.

"Now, Japonica," said the husband, hastily, with a yearning, hungry look in his eyes, "before we do anything else let us go and spend an hour or two in the Cave of the Winds."

Love and Politics.

"Mabel, I love you."

Mabel listens as if the remark were brand new.

"Do you not feel, Mabel, that in your life you need some one—some one like me?"

Mabel answered softly—very softly; probably she will never realize how softly her answer was.

"Harold, dear, I have often felt that I need the love of a manly heart like yours; I need to be cherished; I need protection."

"Alas," he moaned, "then we can never be happy."

"Why?"

"Because—"

"Speak on."

"Because I am a free trader."

She Put Nerve Into Him.

Young Diffident (who has been courted a girl for two years without getting up the nerve to propose)—Did you read about those seminary girls in Massachusetts who were made sick by "nerve training," Amanda?

Amanda—Yes, I read about it. Diffident—What a foolish thing that was.

Amanda (in a discouraged tone)—I don't know about that. I think it would be a good thing if you would enter into a course of nerve-training yourself. You seem to need it.

Diffident went home pondering over her remarks, and the next evening he proposed and was accepted.

More Than He Bargained For.

"Well," said the merchant to the young clerk whom he had sent out collecting, "did you have any luck?"

"Some."

"I suppose you got the amount Mr. Fatherington owes? You said he was a personal friend of yours."

"No, I didn't get the money; the fact is, I don't exactly know what to make of my experience there."

"How was it?"

"I went in and said, 'Mr. Fatherington, I called to speak about a matter.' I didn't get any further, when he put in with, 'That's all right, my boy; she's yours; take her and be happy.'"

Style.



Mistress—Great heavens! Bridget, what have you there?

Bridget—Sure, missus, me beau hez eum, and I only wanted to put his things on the hat rack.

Misunderstood.

A very little girl in the infant class of one of our city Sunday-schools—came home on Sunday and told her mother that the teacher had taught them a new song. On expressing a wish to hear it, the mother was much astonished at the following sentence, which was all the child could remember:

"I'm a little greenhorn among a half a cheese!"

The words which had been misunderstood were these:

"I'm a little gleaner among the harvest sheaves."

The Jury System.

Bridget—"An' how de yes loike bein' on th' jury, Patrick?"

Patrick—"It's some'at confin'in', Bridget."

Bridget—"An' is it harrud worrick?"

Patrick—"Wull, it's aisy enough decidin' phich soide is roight phin only wan is Oirish; but it's harrud worrick decidin' phin both soids is Oirish."

An Accomplished Girl.

Mrs. Smith—So your daughter has graduated with honors.

Mrs. Jones—Yes, she understands painting, and astronomy, and piano playing, and the Lord knows what all.

"You ought to be very proud."

"I suppose so. I expect she will be very happy in her married life if she finds a husband who knows how to cook, sew on buttons, and dress children."

A Hint for Book Agents.

Book agent (in disguise)—Now, how old are you?

Business man—Forty-six.

"Color?"

"White."

"Male or female?"

"Male."

"Thanks. How many copies of Stanley's travels shall I put you down for?"

"Great Scott! does the census require it?"

"The fine for refusal is \$100; the book is dirt cheap at \$4."

"Put me down for two copies and—the census."

A Lost Weed.



Silbermann—Hef a seegar?

His customer—I don't care.



Silbermann—Vell, oh! you don't care I schmokes him meinselluf. How vos drade in der Vesht?

A Life-Long Practice.

Young Mr. Softy (the conversation had been upon the subject of insomnia)—It is easy enough to go to sleep if you set about it right. I have, aw—an infallible recipe for it.

Miss Slygirl—What is it, Mr. Softy?

Mr. Softy—When I want—aw—to woo Nature's sweet restorer, I—aw—banish everything like an ideah from my mind, doncher see?

Miss Slygirl—You've been practicing it all your life, haven't you?

Wash Day.

"Bridget, did you put the clothes in soak?"

"O! did not; did you want me to?"

"Why, certainly."

"Very wull, mum."

Two hours later—"O! put 'em in soak, mum, but the parrot-nose as a pawnbroker wud give me only chew dollars on the whole outfit. Here be the money, mum, and it's sorry O! am that ye bees so harrud up."

Temptation Too Great.

Gus De Smith—Did you read an item in the Journal the other day that Canada was a delightful place to spend the summer?

Gilhooley—Yes, I did.

"Well, the cashier of the bank where I've got my money takes the Journal, too."

"Well, what of it?"

"Nothing, except I'm going to draw my money out of that bank."

The Way He Should Go.

Bounder—Anything gone wrong in your family? When I met your youngest boy just now he was crying as though his heart would break.

Rounder—Gone wrong? Well I should ejaculate if things haven't been going just right, with a big R! I told the kid I'd climb all over him the next time I heard him talking slang. See?

Where to Hang the Motto.

Minister—Here's a motto I want the eyes of my congregation to dwell upon until its words are engraved upon the tablets of the people's memory. Shall I hang it here in the center of the pulpit?

Minister's wife—Oh, no! Hang it over yonder in the corner right side of the clock.

Got It All In.

Lawyer—If anybody asks for me this afternoon, tell them that I am called away on most urgent business.

Office boy—Yes, sir.

Half an hour later

Stranger—Is Mr. Quill in?

Office boy—No, sir; he's been called away to the base ball game on most urgent business.

Met His Match.

A fellow thinking to outcr smart.

entered a notion store and said to one of the salesladies, "Ever have any call for husbands here?"

"Oh, yes, occasionally. Are you looking for a market?"

"Yes," said Smartw.

"All right. Step right up on the 10-cent counter."

Two of 'Em in Circulation.

Servant Girl (to master of the house)—Go away and quit hugging me. I heard you tell your wife last night that she was all the world to you.

Master of the House—So she is, Katie; but you know there are two worlds—the old world and the new world.

Woman's Mind.

Mrs. DeSmith—My dear, I have a little conundrum for you. Why does a woman change her mind oftener than a man?

Mr. De Smith (still reading)—Because a woman's mind needs changing oftener than a man's. (Silence.)

He Hesitated No Longer.

They had been gazing abstractedly into the glow of the coals for nearly two hours. She had been waiting for two years for him to speak his mind. He was still engaged, as he had ever been, in screwing up his courage. At last she lifted her tired head and asked:

"George, do you know what Prof. Tisserand of the Paris observatory says?"

"No, what does he say?" inquired George, eagerly.

"He reports that Neptune has a satellite which is moving in direct contradiction to the revolution of all other planets and that before many ages it will drive our whole system after it into space."

"Well?" murmured George, dazed by the immensity of the problem.

"Well," she continued, dreamily and sweetly, "it looks now as if I would take my wedding tour about the time the earth begins to chase that satellite."

He hesitated no longer.

Divorces in England.

It is customary to throw stones at the United States for the numerous divorces which take place among its people, but statistics show that the percentage of divorces in England is growing with alarming rapidity. Since the divorce act was adopted by Parliament, thirty years ago, there have been no fewer than 13,022 suits brought under it; and in 7,295—more than half—the court has put asunder those whom the church had joined together. The showing is worse still when the three decades of divorce are compared with each other. In the first, 1858 to 1867, there were 2,188 applications for divorce. In the second, 1868 to 1877, there were 3,372, an increase of about 50 per cent. In the third, 1878 to 1887, there were 4,701, an increase of about 75 per cent. In the next decade the increase will be, say the lawyers, fully 100 per cent.

An Amphibious Splinter.

There is a maiden lady living not far from Elberton, Ga., who is so constituted that she can not live out of water but a short while at a time. After remaining away from a bath tub for a couple of hours she commences to faint and almost suffocates, and to procure relief must at once cover her entire body in cold water. She has in her room a pool of fresh water, and in this she spends a greater part of her time, both winter and summer. Otherwise her health is very good.

Laying Down the Law.

Bridget—The nurse says, mum, that yez worr in the kitchen while I worr out.

Mistress (timidly)—Yes, Bridget.

Bridget—Yis—indeed, mum, an' what wud ye think if I want to your boodwar when ye worr out?

Mistress (very timidly)—I should think it very strange, Bridget.

Bridget (modifying a little as she shatters a piece of Sevens on the floor)—Very well, mum, but hereafter if yez will stick to your own part of the house o'll stick to mine.

Cigars and Their Boxes.

It is estimated that over 20,000,000 cigars are manufactured every day in the United States alone, and this enormous number requires in the neighborhood of 420,000 boxes for their keeping. As a result there are over 200 factories in the country turning these boxes out. The wood of which these boxes are made comes from Mexico, Central America, and the West Indies.

The Penny Post in Australia.

Victoria introduced the penny post all over its territory this year at a loss estimated at about £80,000 per annum, and now New South Wales is proposing to follow suit and the estimated loss will be about £50,000 to the revenue. Up to this year the postage over the whole colony was 2d, with a penny rate in Melbourne and Sydney only for local letters.

A Study Lamp.

Guest—What sort of a lamp is that? Host—A study lamp.

Guest—Ah! Called that because it is for the study, I presume.

Host—No. Called that because it takes a great deal of study to run it.

A Wife's Devotion.

Young husband—My dear, some of my garments are sadly in need of buttons.

Young wife—Yes, my love, I noticed that, and have sent for my mother. She is a splendid hand at sewing on buttons.

A Test for Sobriety.

When you want to test the sobriety of a man, ask him to repeat quickly the names of these three States of the Union: Idaho, Iowa, and Ohio.

Preparing for Flowers in Winter.

Many lovers of flowers become so attached to their geraniums and other house plants that they keep them from year to year. This is a mistake. It is far better to strike cuttings in summer, and raise strong thrifty young plants every year, leaving the old misshaped ones in the ground.

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